



MARTY LOUTHAN

Air Force Football Quarterback

Inducted October 25, 2016

Marty Louthan is known as the quarterback who engineered the U.S. Air Force Academy's football renaissance by running the triple-option wishbone offense under coach Ken Hatfield. He came off the bench as a freshman in 1980 to lead a 21-20 comeback victory over Navy and became a starter during the 1981 season.

In 1982, Louthan led Air Force to many firsts: beating Notre Dame; sweeping Army and Navy to win the Commander-in-Chief's Trophy for the first time; leading a miraculous 39-38 comeback to upset Brigham Young at Provo; and finally sparking another comeback to beat Vanderbilt in the Hall of Fame Bowl, Air Force's first-ever bowl win. Louthan was named Colorado Collegiate



Athlete of the Year for both the '82 and '83 seasons.

As a senior, he guided the Falcons to a 10-2 record, again beating Notre Dame, Army and Navy, finishing with a 9-3 victory over Mississippi in the Independence Bowl earning the Falcons a 13th place ranking in the AP poll. Louthan was then placed in the running for the Heisman Trophy. During his

AFA career, he ran for 1,860 yards and 30 touchdowns and completed his collegiate football career by earning the Air Force Academy Outstanding Athlete Award.

After completing his Air Force duty, he became an airline pilot and returned to Colorado Springs to raise his family.